

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2187 - HB 2605

February 5, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires individuals applying for registration or renewal of registration for a motor vehicle to possess a valid driver's license in order to be issued registration plates or decals. Specifies that a temporary permit may be issued only to a person possessing a valid driver's license. Requires the Department of Safety to compile a list of drivers whose licenses have been canceled, suspended or revoked and that such list is to be updated regularly. Authorizes the Department to transmit this list to every county clerk. Provides that a county clerk may not approve a mail order renewal of registration to any driver whose name appears on the list.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$6,900

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$100,000

Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000

Assumes:

- increase in state expenditures for the cost of compiling and providing the required list of drivers whose licenses have been canceled, suspended or revoked.
- OIR cost to run list at \$500 a month or \$6,000 annually
- list will be provided to counties by diskette mailing once a month. 95 diskettes at \$.24 each for 12 months will cost \$273 and mailing expenses at \$.55 each for 12 months are estimated to be \$627.
- increase in local government expenditures are estimated to exceed \$100,000 statewide for administrative costs to counties associated with the new requirements including additional personnel and postage expenses.
- counties have technology in place to check validity of driver's licenses and are only required to have updated information once a month as provided by the Department of Safety.
- at least 5,000 individuals who would have been able to register their vehicles under current law will be prevented from doing so due to suspended or revoked licenses resulting in decreased revenues to the state and local governments from registration fees and wheel taxes. These decreases are estimated to exceed \$100,000.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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